A Wife to her Husband.

Linger not long. Home is not home withou Its dearest tokens do but make me mourn; Oh! let its memory, like a chain about thee, Gently compel and hasten thy return.

Linger not long. Though crowds should woo thy staying Bethink thee, can the mirth of friends, though Compensate for grief thy long delaying
Costs the fond heart that sighs to have the

Linger not long. How I shall watch thy com-As evening shadows stretch o'er moor and When the wild bee hath ceased her busy hum

And silence hange on all things like a spell! How shall I watch thee, when fears grow strong

ger, mght grows dark and darker on the hill? How shall I weep, when I can watch no longer! Ah! art thou absent, art thou absent still! Yet I should grieve not, though the eye that Gazeth through tears that make its splendo

My oup of happiness is all too full. Haste, haste thee home, into thy mountain dwelling! Haste, as a bird unto its peaceful nest!

For, oh! I sometimes fear, when thou art with

Haste, as a skiff, when tempests wide are swell Flies to its haven of securest rest

KNO . LL. GE, LABOR AND HAPPINESS. AN INSTRUCTIVE TALE

'How I envy those ignorant Irish girls!' said Lucy Shannon to her father. 'I wish I was one of them, and then I should not be wretch-

Lucy was the daughter of a gentleman wh had lost his property through the mismanage ment of others in whom he had confided. In his prosperity, he had afforded his daughters the best means of obtaining a useful education, and few young ladies were so accomplished, and, at

When the blow first fell upon him, they braned themselves to bear it, and not fully realizing the deprivations to which they were to be subjected, they were resigned, and even cheerful. Mr. Shannon, who had passed the meridian of life, but who still retained a good portion of activity, did not despond, because he felt assured that, as there had been no loss of integrity in the loss of property, those who had been his companions in prosperity would be ready, and even anxious, to furnish him with the means of commencing business again in a safe and limsted way, and in the success of economy and untiring industry, he had the fullest confidence.

His expectations, however, were fallacious, loan, refused, because the bankrupt could give no security but his character for probity and general intelligence. A clerryman, who was imbuildings, and it required all he had and more some relief obtained. too, and he was himself obliged to borrow. The 'Can it be,' thought he, 'that a good education story.' that the day of need could not be far distant, determined to make an effort to turn their talents to advantage. The first attempt was to obtain something by writing for the magazines. The men of a series to follow. The second daughter wrote a poem, and presented it for publicasmall school. The fourth hoped to obtain some than many sparrows. employment in painting maps or engravings; and the fifth intended to ply her needle in company with her mother, who though in feeble health, was determined not to be a spectator

only, of the industry around her. For a few days the hope of employment eucouraged the family; but sadness came over them when they were obliged to leave their comfortable and spacious dwelling and retire to a small dwelling, in which they must be subjected to much inconvenience. Their furniture was sold at auction by the Assignees, and the portion exempted by law from sale, was not sufficient to furnish even the tenement which they were obli-

daily food for the family beginning to fail, the eidest daughter went to the agent of the Sunday School association, and was told that her story was well written but not sufficiently doctrinal. She then carried it to a weekly paper; and after waiting two months to have it read, she was informed that it was approved, but the proprietor had concluded not to pay for any tales, because he could get as many as he wanted, free of expense-not so well written, to be sure, but good enough for common maders.

The second daughter, after delivering her poem at the magazine office, and waiting a month or more, was informed that it had been mislaid and probably lost. The teacher sat day after day, in her school mom, expecting applications. but aithough she had sold a valuable gold ring, to pay for the printing and distribution of an advertising circular, no pupils applied. The weather, in the meantime became cold, and having no means to purchase a stove and fuel, she took Do you know of any good girl? 'I do,' said I, mother car 'o of advising and directing me in a severe cold, and being seriously sick, required all the care of her mother, during the day, and 'Who is she?' 'The daughter of a gentleman 'of good manners and education, one capable of of her sisters, by turn at night. No employment who has been suddenly reduced to poverty.' directing servants, and old enough to command in painting could be procured by the fourth daugh- Daughters of gentlemen make poor servants,' respect. You seem to have all the qualifications ster for many weeks; but at last a considerable she said; 'but if you know her and will answer but age, how will you acquire that?' 'It will job was engaged at a very low price. As the for her character, I will try her, for I have be- come in time without much effort on my part. gloaming, and the clouds that cradle near eloquence was all so completely sui generis of multitudes of human beings, which has hope of the family seemed to rest upon this, the come desperate." I think so well of her, said the setting sun. But for it, the rainbow as to be inimitable by any other, and to ever been penned. These pieces, short hundred years ago was: —"A kind of drink hundred years ago was: —"A sisters all took hold, and the work was done very i, 'that rather than she should lose her place, I at least.' 'I will try to be twenty-five, then I would want its 'triumphal arch,' and the make my chance of imitating him still though they were, revealed the almost Shakpromptly and very well. The employer was well will do her work for a few days, till she can come shall soon be that, if I am pleasantly employed. winds would not send their fleecy messen worse, I never saw or heard him. Even sperian genius of Thomas Hood. They they called too soon, as he thought, for payment spated from home now." he concluded not to employ such troublesome persons any more. Not finding employ from others, the youngest parted with some valuable others, the youngest parted with some valuable of them.' I followed him to the dining of the earth, nor hailstorm nor fog dinagration and the suffer on the flowers. The kindly rain far short of his strength and beauty. Yet, in spite of all this monotony and destitution the deep waters of eternity, did he in these dress, or attend a place of amusement, inwhich she made up in the hopes of finding a purupon you as you seem willing to impose upon
ments, in the arrangement of the dishes. The globe would turn its tanned and unshadow. in the Analectic Magazine, or the Baltiout his soul in song.

was dead.

Ito obtain the means of a somfortable subaise the Lyonum this evening, and desiring to know

'Why may we not become servants then?' said the second daughter; 'surely it will do no harm to carry a little poience into the kutchen. 'You have not the necessary strength,' said

would employ you." 'I am determined to try it,' said Anna, 'for if can get a sttuation. I shall be able to make Lizzy more comfortable, at least. Lizzy, dear, don't cry so; it will not hurt me in my own estitoo desperate to care what others may think of

Anna's resolution seemed to put courage into four determined, the next day, to make the experiment of going out to service. Mr. Shannon future rounion.

'I shall apply directly to our minister's wife.'

'I trust she will,' said Lucy. 'I do not mean

to go as if I was ashamed." 'I shall go to some hotel, if I can,' said An-

na, for they give higher wages than private fam-'You will be too much exposed there,' said the

anxious mother; 'I pray you not to risk such exthink of you when I am in danger, and then I

shall surely wear a charm against mischief. "I," said Josephine, the second daughter, "I will turn nursery maid, and take care of somebody's enildren, but I shall be afraid to teach them any thing, lost they should become as helpless and unhappy as we are."

best for servants not too be too particular."

call at home next evening, the sisters kissed the fifty dollars against me, but I cannot see where teeble Lizzy, and retired in better spirits than usual to their small and illventilated rooms. Early the next forenoon, the sisters plainly dressed, set out on their missions.

'God bless you my children,' said the distres ed father, as they left the door; he followed them with his eyes until a turn in the street concealed them, and then gave free course to his tears.

The excitement thus produced by the departure of her children would have overcome the mother, whose frame was naturally feeble, had One rich man, to whom he applied for a small anxiety for the suffering and afflicted child. Left tress came upon the affectionate father. A. first he was disposed to lay violent hands upon placed all his securar concerns in the hands of a to labor, or submit to any humiliation for the washing, and I am to be paid two dollars a week you may all go and get released from your places. banker, to whom, however, he did not even refer sake of his family, but because he seemed to be for book keeper and maid of all the easy work. 'I should prefer,' said Anna, 'to keep my place the applicant. A third, who had been his phy. In their way, and perhaps if, by his removal, he So that book keeping, which I thought useless at a little while, at least, to see what I can do. sician, and who was very wealthy, regretted rendered them more completely helpless, the that he had just ongaged in erecting a block of searts of the most worldly would be touched and

fourth, thought that friends should never have unfits us to obtain a livelihood-or has a mistake any possensary concerns with each other, for it been committed, so that, while the intellect has time after Josephine left, for though several is- and I promise that we shall keep our places, and always destroyed friendamp. Discouraged by been trained, some other point as important has dies came and several of the girls in waiting come every other Sabbath, for this, I believe, is the result of these applications, Mr. Shannon been neglected? His excellent wife, he knew, went off with them, the keeper did not call me. a servant's priviledge, to tell our experience.' determined to starve rather than ask assistance, find instructed the children in all the essentials At last, when a well-dressed lady came, he beck- This plan, was agreed on, and continued until His daughters seeing his distress, and knowing of good house wifery; but they were rather cal- oned to me, and introduced me in terms which all were satisfied that knowledge unfits for laeldest wrote a tale for a Sunday School estab- ctaid had undertaken to comfort her mother, and been so well educated and so well brought up lishment, and left it to be examined as a speci- was just calling to her recollection the words of myself, that I knew how to manage children. our Saviour, when, to encourage his followers to 'you must give her good wages ' said he. 'and it tion to the Editor of a popular magazine. The hat the little sparrow fell not unobserved, and hear what he says, Miss; do you authorize him Good angels spread their wings and cover thee third hired a nest room, and proposed to teach a the meanest human being was of more value to say sof' 'I know not on what authority he

appear to the world.

The absence of Mr. Shannon, not at dinner, 'taught me the rest.' delighted than if they had not been separated, tor sometimes at school!" Each was telling another of the adventures of the day, when Lizzy suggested that each should hear them all, and once telling would suffice.

success had you at the parson's?"

'I rang the bell, and was admitted as usual.' asked her if it was true that she wished to hire a

ce business, Mr. Shan- the other girl, I wrought such a change before non endeavored to obtain employment as a book sonset, that when I was preparing to come home, said Mr. Shannon. 'The dark night has brought in her hand a sheaf of his rays, and lets a little more judgment. she; 'and if I were ignorant, a thousand avenues ting in the parlor when I preferred todo so. Thus of pain would be closed. All I wish is, that I you see, father, our rent is provided for.' 'Did Mr. P. treat you kindly?' asked Mr. Shannor. "I could bear the loss of property without a "Quite so," said Lucy; 'and just before I left, sigh, said her father, but when I see those I love an occurrence took place which brought me at

the true reading of some lines that he wished to quote, he seked his wife if she recollected them. unlowment, said the youngest daughter, there She did not, and I very humbly suggested where a demand for servants, but we must starve. they might be found in Spenser. He brought the volume, and soon found them in it. He then invited me into his study, and told me to use his library as if it were my own. So you see father, if he had no heart for your wants, he had a head the mother; and it is ten to one if any body which may be made subservient to mine. But Josephine, let us hear how you succeeded.'

'I went with Jane to the Intelligence office,

said Josephine, 'and we could hardly make the

keeper believe that we wanted places as domes-

ties. When he was satisfied that we were in mation, to become a domestic, and I have grown earnest, he gave us chairs, and treated us more civilly than he had a dozen others who were waiting for places, and sitting in a row on a long bench. Presently a lady came in, and after a her sisters; and after some discussion, the whole few words with the keeper, I was called in, and introduced to her as a young woman wanting a place. 'Where did you live last?' said she in opposed the plan until he found it useless to do quite a business way. 'At home, madam, said to and he was obliged to consent to have the L. 'At home, have you never lived out?' 'No family scattered for a season, in the hope of a madam.' 'So much the better, you are not so full of mischief, then. 'What work do you expect to do?' Can you cook? Can you wash, said Lucy, 'for I know she wants an American and iron?' 'I know how to perform all these operations, said I, but I shall need some prac-'She will know you, my dear,' said Mrs. Shantice before I shall become expert.' 'Expert,' said she, expert, where did you get that word?

What education have you had?' 'A good one madam, I trust.' 'Then what are you going to live out for? Learned servants are apt to be good for nothing: the dictionary and the wash-tub assort like oil and water, it is said.' 'They shall not antagonize,' said I, 'if you will try me.' 'What wages do you expect?' What I may deserve, said I, humbly. 'I hope to make myself so useful as to deserve the highest wages, but I am willing for you to try me at the lowest."

In short she agreed to try me a week at a dollar, and I went home with her. She proved to be the wife of a master builder, who, when I entered, was studying a long account at a desk in one corner of the room. 'Wife,' said he, as 'I will take any thing I can get, if it is not a | we entered. 'I have wasted two days upon this school, said Jane, the fourth daughter, 'for it is account, and cannot reconcile it. I would give half I am worth to know a little book-keeping After arranging their plans, and concluding to I am satisfied that there is an error of at least it is. I wish that girl was a clerk instead of a 'Perhaps, sir,' said I, 'I can be of service to

you in both capacities. May I look at the accountf' 'Look at it, yes,' said he, 'and if you find where the error is, I'll give you a five dollar bull and a new gown into the bargain.' The items of the account were numerous, for it retated to building operations of some magnitude. examined the debt and credit, but it scemed fair except certain balances, and a few questions soon satisfied me that one credit had been rezy, and obliged the parent to forget herself in her peated in them. The error was soon made evi- shows that it was no mistake. It was evidently deat, and the man, to my surprise, took out the a purchase, and a payment, not a loan. 'If in some degree alone, the full weight of his dis. reward, and insisted upon my receiving it. He take the money I make three friends; if I refuse then questioned me about my education, and it, I may lose three: I have no right to attribute finally agreed to employ me to keep his accounts. a good act to a bad motive. I shall at once acsimself, not indeed, because he was unwilling Another girl is to be hired to do the cooking and knowledge the favor with gratitude. And girls, But here, mother, is the five dollar bill, the week.' 'Father,' said Jane, 'why can you not gard to real facts, is to me the most diffi-

counted to preside over a bousehold than to o were very kind, and which indicated as I thought bor only when it is united with pride or affectathe labor to which the domestic must submit, some acquaintance with my family. The lady tion, and that it is unfavorable to happiness on-At this dark moment, the voice of Lizzy reach- was in want of a sort of governess for her chil- ly when it is perverted or worthless. ed his ear from the next room. The poor sick dren, and he recommended me, because I had unwavering trust in Providence, he assured them | she disappoints you, I will be accountable.' 'You speaks,' said I-but I hope he does not overrate The current of thought in the mind of the un- my intention, if he does my ability.' I have no fortunate father was diverted from the fatal person al acquaintance with the young lady, channel into which it seemed inclined to run said the keeper, but my little daughter was and resolving not to be outdone by his children, here just now, and told me that she was once he hastily arose and went forth, determined to her Sabbath school teacher, and she loved her first something to do, however degrading it might dearly. The young lady's manners, and those of ber sister, who is just gone out, said he,

for they had none, but the dinner hour, filled his; 'The amount of it is, that I am engaged as affectionate wife with apprehensions, for she governess to three children, and a sort of comknew his strength of feeling, and had feared panion to the mother, who is a widow. The much from the gloom which was settling over terms were to be two dollars a week, but when his mind-her anxiety however, was relieved she discovered that I could play and sing well when he returned, soon after dark, apparently enough to teach such children, she voluntarily more cheerful than when he left her in the morn- offered to give me extra pay for this accomplishing. He had hardly kissed Lizzy and removed ment. I shall in this way be able to keep alive were seated around Lizzy's bed, evidently more what a lucky thing it is that I used to be moni-

turn now. "I went directly to the great hotel." relate aloud what happened, and then she could sail Ange, tank saw the landlord. When I asked han if he is occasion for another domes-"Come, Lucy,' said Mr. Shannon, 'let us hear uc, Le vaid, 'no, but he wanted a wife or a housedomestic. She answered affirmatively, and I a situation at you expect then?' 'I care not.' asked what work would be expected.' 'Every said I, 'so it be one that I can fill honorably,' "I would give two dollars to a good American at the Ladies" Ordinary, do you think? "I have girl, she said, but why do you ask the question? Leen accu- ed to good society, and have a and am authorized to engage the place for one.' all difficult crs.' 'I want a lady,' said he.

rectly to the counting room of a merchant and bank director, who had refused the day before to resumed with a stout resolve to bring it to assist me. He was in convenation with two a conclusion. We have abundant evidence and breathe into jugat spirit which I have grinding, whether other merchants, with whom I had once been on that this had already grown to be a most equal and intimate terms. Will you buy some irksome labor. of my oranges, gentlemen, said I; 'they are The following letter to Carr playful! sweet and cheap? 'What do you mean? Mr. presents the difficulties of this undertail Shannon, said one of the gentlemen; you have ing, and shows how reductantly Wirt strug not turned pedlar, have you? 'Having found gled with his task. It contains also ar at impossible to get any higher employment, allusion to Dabney Carr, the father of his said I, 'I have been reduced to this. Is it not an honest calling?, 'Are you in earnous?' said another of the gentlemen. 'I never was more so,' said I; 'you will bear witness, that I have tried in vain to get other employment. But 1 must not spend my time in talking-will you buy, gentlemen, or not for I must be moving." tleman who had not before spoken. 'It is worth two dollars at retail, but you may have the some announcements of it to the public whole lot at one dollar and three quarters. I which, it will be seen, had served to will take it,' said he, 'but as I have no change ! must trouble you with my check for the amount. prise. He filled a check, and said, there, Crombic and Miller, you must buy a basket too; here's a blank check for each of you.'

They did as he proposed, and he folded up the hree and gave them to me. The backet was emptied on the spot, and I set off to fill it again for each of the others. On my way to the fruit seller's I called at the bank with the checks, and the teller counted me out three thousand ollars! I told him that he had made a mistake. He looked at the checks again, and declaring hat each was good for one thousand dollars, he arned away to wait upon another customer. 1 saw through the whole at once. A motive, which care not to analise, had induced the three princely merchants to furnish me with the means which one of them previously refused. I intended only to shame him, but he had fairly outmanaguvered me, and after calling at the fruiterer's, paying for the basket, and ordering two others to be sent as I directed, I came home, undecided what course it was expedient to pur-

your advice?' 'I would return every cent of it.' said Lucy and show my independence.' 'So would I,' said anna, 'and starve before I'd take it.' 'They only gave it from pride,' said Josephine: 'von tooped so low that it mortified them.' 'Perhaps they expect to be repaid, said Jane. 'Don't you think so, Lizzy?' 'No,' said the sick child. I think they were sorry that father had been re-

When one repents he has a right to expect orgiveness. I should use the money, father, and epay it if I was ever able, to them or some suffering fellow creature.' 'That is my view of the said her husband. 'The similarity of the checks school, is to be the making of me for aught I see. 'And I too,' said Lucy, 'I am engaged for a trial voucher of my account. - Now Jane, tell us your keep the whole affair a secret and let us see what cult in the world. It is like attempting to Fairies,' a little work full of poetic beauit is to earn our living? 'What was hard nestory.'

I was waiting for a call, said Jane, someit is to earn our living?' 'What was hard necessity will be a good frolic now,' said Josephine,
petually to career and frolic it away. But
the book was not popular; indeed, it is not

## Good Night, Love.

BY MRS. FANNY KEMBLE BUTLER. Good night, love! May Heaven's bright stars watch over thee And through the night So dark and still. Spirits of light Charm thee from ill! My heart is hovering round thy dwelling-place; Good night, dear love! God bless thee with His

Good night, love! Soft iuliables the night wind sing to thee! And on its wings sweet odors bring to thee! And in thy dreaming, May all things dear, With gentle seeming, Come smiling near!

My knees are bowed, my hands are clasped i Good night, dear love! God keep thee in Hi

"The atmosphere rises above us with its be could talk—"Gods! how he could talk!" his outer coat, when Lucy entered; and it was what knowledge I have and was likely to lose heaven, of which it is the most familiar the bar to the legislature, and from the not many minutes before all the other children when we had to part with our piano. O, dear, synonyme and symbol. It floats around legislature to the bar, his peregrinations re-John saw in his vision, 'a sea of glass like forget whom—perhaps some of our friend unto crystal.' So massive is it, that when Tristram's characters, "from the kitchen to your story first, for you are the oldest. What keeper, to look after his domestics.' 'I have lived years in it before we can be persuad- lives in print, writing, or memory. All the several courses eepers said he, but they ed that it exists at all, and the great bulk that is told me is, that, on such and such taxe all n.let, and I am desperate. Have you of mankind never realize the truth that they an occasion, he made a distinguished speech. said Lucy. 'When Mrs. Parnel appeared, I ever live. cull' said be. 'Never, sir.' 'Have are bathed in an ocean of air. Its weight Now to keep saying this over, and over, ports had exposed, in long detail, the hard-ed loud enough, but I thought it was at well you eve. kect house? 'Never.' 'What sort of is so enormous that iron shivers before it and over again, without being able to give like glass, yet a soap-bell sails through it any account of what the speech was-why, with impunity, and the tiniest insect waves sir, what is it but a vast, open, sunburnt written about them, eloquent speeches de- Africa. thing,' said she, 'but washing; I have a girl who can do that, but she can do nothing class well.

Who are y ut' 'The daughter of a gentleman, it aside with its wing. It ministers lavish-field, without one spot of shade or verdure! livered on the subject, the miseries of our female artisans—dressmakers and shirtma-"What wages do you propose to give madam?" cessful in business." 'Could you head the table it touches us. Its warm south winds bring come in which I can say that I have no kers—had been deplored in all forms, but rocks, by constant dropping of the little inback color to the pale face of the invalid; pleasure in them. I have sometimes a no. Hood's little poem effected more than them fluences. What can one drop do its cool west winds refresh the fevered brow, tion of trying the plan of Botta, who has all. It went straight to its mark; it thrill. scarcely see it fall; and presently it rolls even its north blasts brace into new vigor and made speeches himself for his promite the head, and sent it home at a blow. Not with a microscope, measure the hule inshed, but he did not pay them, and because and take the place; you know I can be well spated from home now.'

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she speeches published in the debates of for dinner in a few minutes; you may go with cold ether would not shed its snow-feathers the Virginia convention are affirmed by all dearest cuests and friends.' hall, and by good luck, suggested some improve- versify the face of the sky. Our naked of materials, we have a fellow coming out piteous appeals to human sympathy pour chaser for ready made articles; but she was obliged to sell the articles at less than the cost of the unaterials, to get some medicine for her sick and suffering sister.

The globe would turn its tanned and unshadow, yourself.' I took off my things without further at the table, where you may be assured I presided with becoming grace, for I am duly installed and burn up all things. Were there no atmosphere, the evening sun would in a suffering sister.

The globe would turn its tanned and unshadow, at the arrangement of the dishes. The globe would turn its tanned and unshadow, out his soul in song.

Notwithstanding the great genius of at the table, where you may be assured I presided with becoming grace, for I am duly installed and burn up all things. Were there no atmosphere, the evening sun would in a suffering sister.

Every thing was in confusion, for you know in office, at a salary of three hundred dollars for the dishes. The down the arrangement of the dishes. The set out has soul in song.

Notwithstanding the great genius of stupeadous frauds, scheming villances and burn up all things. Were there no atmosphere, the evening sun would in a suffering sister.

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keeper or clerk; but his friends could not bear to employ one who had perhaps employed them in other times, and strangers preferred a younger of the times, and the flowers have time to bow the said 'O, if I could get a girl who knew out stats, and mine is not the least brilliant them slip but slowly through her fingers; of the term.

Again: there are some ugly traits in H.'s for his copyrights, he may soon starve. The of the term. It is them slip but slowly through her fingers; on that the shadows of evening gather by labors of twenty years enabled degrees, and the flowers have time to bow blanks. He was a blank military comman. It was on his return home, after a vain application for a subordinate situation in a bank and a blank only legacy he left to his family was his good sense and good nature than is generated and good sense and good nature than is generated and good sense and good sense and good sense and good nature than is generated and good nature than is generated and good sense and good sen application for a subordinate situation in a bank, I should have no objection to living with her, at the indifference with which the world looked a place of rest, and nestle to repose. In politician, in all those useful points which fame. We cannot but lament, that the that Lucy uttered the ejaculation with which this tale commences. 'If I had never known what it was to be well off, I should be contented,' said it was to be well off, I shou thought struck me, which I immediately reduced for his coming, and sends at first but one it, and applied all the plaster of Paris that though the generous letter of Sir Robert to action. I entered, and told the fruit dealer little ray to announce his approach, and I could command; but the fig-tree is still Peel, communicating the intelligence that a that I wished to try an experiment, and if he then another, and by and by a handful, and barren, and every bud upon it indicates pension of £100 a year had been granted style of spring cushions, to be stuffed with would trust me with a basket of oranges, I so gently draws aside the curtain of night, death instead of life. "Then, surely you to his wife, did much to alleviate the pres- grasshoppers.

friend, and the compatriot of Henry-a gentleman most favorably known in the short legislative career to which we have heretofore adverted, and whose early death had blighted the promise of a fair renown.

Mr. James Webster, of Philadelphia, to whom also this letter has a reference, What will you take for your load?' said the gen. | was already engaged as the publisher of the forthcoming volume, and had made augment the author's disrelish of his enter-

> WILLIAM WIRT TO JUDGE CARR. Richmond, Aug. 20, 1815. My DEAR FRIEND:-

give you some idea of my difficulties .- tragic poet. stop and let fly a volley of letters over the tragic kind.

kept sowing on." of narrative, fettered by a scrupulous re- We believe his first published book of green, or even the relief of a mulberry tree not Hood's only object in writing. He and human kindness. The laugh pessed to stop and take a pinch of snuff at. I amused the multitude to attract their atten. away, but the stern truth remained - Elica You may think this affectation, if you he himself has so touchingly saidplease, or you may think it jest; but the dving confession of a felon under the gallows (no disparagement to him!) is not more true, nor much more mortifying. Tertio: The incidents of Mr. Henry'

cathedral dome, arching downwards the but there is no acting "the while." From us like that grand object which the apostle sembled, a good deal, those of some one, I it begins to stir it tosses about great ships the parlor, and from the parlor to the kitchlike playthings, and sweeps cities and en." And then, to make the matter worse, that wonderful poem which instantly thrill- they roared a great deal to each other, and forests like snow flakes to destruction before from 1763 to 1789, covering all the bloom it. And yet it is so mobile, that we have and pride of his life, not one of his speeches and make the blood mantle in our cheeks; written an account of the American war, ed the common heart. He hit the nail on away or is evaporated; you cannot even the hardened children of our rugged clime. nent characters, imitating, in this, the histoThe eye is indebted to it for all the magnirians of Greece and Rome; but I think with truth, was his 'Bridge of Sighs,' one of the stant repetition of this triffing agency which ficence of sunrise, the full brightness of Polybius, that this is making too free with most powerful expositions of a great social furrows, and at length hollows out the very midday, the chastened radiance of toe the sanctity of history. Besides, Henry's evil, a cancerous sore eating away the hearts granite. nent set, and, without warning, plunge the materials within my reach. Those no position in England; he may be a great planet Saturn were said by Providence has certainly been kind to us, the earth in darkness. But the air keeps puffs mean me well, but I could wish them genius, but if his books do not sell very be marked by a sad, gloomy, and melan

mean that I am determi No, sir, unless I can mould it into a grace, borer must always never yet been able to do, it shall never nature of literary le never yet been able to do, it shall never nature of literary le never yet been able to do, it shall never nature of literary le health, and to stimul tivity the nervous synthe of the physical power. The 'itterary silment.' viewing the whole, to lay it off into sec-uons, by spochs, on Middleton's plan; and under disease—habitually taking up the first section, to make a last ly; and yet he wrote on and dying effort upon it, per se. If I fail, last publications to which he save surrender my sword; if otherwise, I shall as editor, 'Hood's Magazine' be me this time. I will promise never to make Subscriber a similar experiment on their good nature again,-Kennedy's Life of Wirt.

"Poor Hood!" Thus does every one peak of the lamented Thomas Hood, who died just as the world was beginning to appreciate the true genius of the man, but before he could reap any of its substantial anothin but head work, will make a cherubbe rewards. Hood's reputation through life of you; and so it did. Nothing but write, well was that of a humorist, for he wrote for bread, and as the public would not have drink till all is blew. Mix your collec-Hood's deeper thoughts, he gave them his werry good advice it is, when it can be Now for Patrick Henry. I have delved lighter ones; he spun them 'comic annuals' on to my one hundred and seventh page; up-hill all the way, and heavy work, I and 'laughter from year to year;' and thus and Authors must hit who promise you; and a heavy and unleavened he managed to live on from day to day .- "As poor Robert west" promise you; and a heavy and unleavened he managed to live on hour of the rung ry habits, its very well, lump I fear me it will be, work it as I But just before he passed away, there rung about, like Mr. Wordsworth may. I can tell you, sir, that it is much through our island those thrilling stanzas, grew double, sticking to my class the most oppressive literary enterprise that appealing to the profoundest sympathies of ever I embarked in, and I begin to appre- the human heart, "The Song of the Shirt," if I do brood too much at my drak, its bear hend that I shall never debark from it without "rattling ropes and rending sails." I of Sighs; and then it was the public de and go fetch a walk, and take a write in a storm, and a worse tempest, I creed that Hood was something more than sies, when you've sold your mind to Mide so fear, will follow its publication. Let me a humorist; that he was, in fact, a great file, and there's a devil waiting for your la

Imprimis, then-I always thought that Thomas Hood was of Scotch parentage. Bozzy ranted, in complaining so heavily of though born in London, where his father all I could to nurridge him. Mock Turkey and the infinite difficulty and trouble which he was a partner in the book-selling firm of and strong slops, and wormy jelly, and also the infinite difficulty and trouble which he was a partner in the book-seiling first moss; but he could'nt eat. And no wonder had to encounter in fixing accurately the Vernon and Hood, Poultry. He was first for mental labor, as the Doctor said, wears ou dates of trival facts; but I now know by apprenticed as a merchant's clerk, but his woful experience that Bozzy was right.— health being delicate, it was found neces he'd been spinning out his inside, like a spider And, in addition to the dates, I have the sary to take him away from his desk, and And a spider he did look at last, sure enough facts themselves to collect. I thought I he was sent to his father's relatives in had them all ready cut and dry, and sat Dundee, where he remained some time, down with all my statements of corres. and made his successful debut as a writer my sun did, but it's all again natur. Not he pondents spread out before me; a pile of in the pages of the local magazines and old journals on my right, and another of journals. Here, doubtless, he acquired his old newspapers on my left, thinking that I knowledge of the broad Scotch dialect, had nothing else to do but, as Lingo says, which we find him re-producing in the old thre read very sleepy. But, as poor Robert and "to saddle Pegasus, and ride up Parnussus." Scotch housekeeper in 'Tylney Hall,' a what is one to do, when no day is long eauf for Such short-sightedness is there in "all the novel, though not much known, of the one's work, nor no manth either. And, in te schemes o' mice and men;" for I found, at most powerful character, full of highly munths, but Febber person every turn of Henry's life, that I had to wrought incident, and situations of the most thing is, relaxing, if you can, as the

State, in all directions, to collect dates and | With his health somewhat restored, he explanations, and try to reconcile contra-dictions. Meantime, until they arrived, "I to his uncle, Robert Sands, the engraver, and unbend yourself, like a beau. If you're and was afterwards transferred to one of In the next place, this same business of the Le Keuxs. He was a good draughts. stating facts with rigid precision, not one man, and might have attained distinction in ot more or less than the truth-what the his profession, but that he was soon attract- chants. deuce has a lawver to do with truth! To ed from it by the more agreeable pursuit of tell you one truth, however, I find that it is literature. Yet, we often afterwards find of hair, and more stummack. And you ough entirely a new business to me, and I am him at work with the pencil and graver, to ware flannel, and take tonicks. Do you ever proportionately awkard at it; for after I in furnishing the quaint and comical de- drink Basses pail? It's as good as camemile have gotten the facts accurately, they are signs of his own works, in his Bonnie mend to you, steal wine; its been a satint to sem

ty; and the style | Annuals, 'Up the Rhine,' 'Magazine,' &c it must not be. I must move like Sterne's so yet. So, as the public would not take mule over the plains of Languedoc, "as his poetry, he met them on their own ground, slow as foot can fall," and that, too, with- and gave them jokes and facetie, which same time that he touched the heart to its out one ventage from with Nanette on the they would read. Laughter, however, was depths. It was Comus teaching sympathy was very sensible, when I began, that I tion; and he used his wit and humor as the Cook's Journal. was not in the narrative gait. I tried it vehicles wherewith to convey his wholesome over and over again, almost as often as and lasting lessons of morality. Though, Gibbon did to hit the key-note, and without as a writer who lived by his writings, he his success. I determined, therefore, to had to write that which the public would move forward, in hopes that my pairrey buy, and thus suited his productions to the would get broke by degrees, and learn by general taste, he never wrote down to the fion's paw; and as I pointed them out, a and by to obey the slightest touch of the lowest taste. His wit was never sullied by Nemagua chief told me that a lion had snaffle. But I am now, as I said, in my impurity nor coarseness; never indelicate been practising his lesp. On demanding hundred and seventh page, which, by an ac- nor profane. Nay, his delicacy was ex. an explanation, he said, that if a lion sprang curate computation, on the principles of treme; he was as sensitive as a mimosa at an enimal, and missed at by leaping Cocker, taking twenty-four sheets to the leaf, and a sort of melancholy often dash- short, he would always go back to where quire, and four pages to each sheet, you ed his merriest writings, which made his he sprang from and practice the leap, so as will find to exceed a quire by eleven. And jests to 'scald like tears.' Many of his to be successful on another occasion; and he yet am I as far to seek, as ever, for the quaint and laughter-exciting conceits were then related to me the following anecdore, lightsome, lucid, simple graces of narrative. steeped in human feeling and passion. As stating that he was an eye-witness to the in-

"All things are touch'd with melancholy. Born of the secret soul's mistrust, To feel her fair ethereal wings Weigh'd down with vile degraded dust; Even the bright extremes of joy Bring on conclusions of disgust, Like the sweet blossom of the May, life are extremely monotonous. It is all Whose fragrance ends in must. Oh, give her, then, her tribute just. Her sighs and tears, and musings holy! There is no music in the life That sounds with idiot laughter solely; There's not a string attuned to mirth, But has its chord in melancholy."

Towards the close of Hood's life, while and third time, till he succeeded. During he was still popularly known as a humor. this, two more lions came up and joined the ist, there appeared in the columns of Punch, first lion. They seemed to be talking, for ed through the hearts of thousands, and then the first lion led them round the rock produced an effect such as, we believe, no again. He then made another g and leap, piece of writing within the same small com- to show what he and they must do another pass had ever before done-his agonising time. The chief added, they were evident "Song of the Shirt." Parliamentary re. ly talking to each other, sithough they talkships inflicted on a large portion of the in-dustrious community; volumes had been about me.—Captain Margati's Scenes in

largely, and he cannot command high prices cholic disposition—whence the application sigh," said her father, 'but when I see those I love so unhappy, I am distressed; but I am still unsuing to believe that education really and our inability increases our misery, and our inability increases our misery. I so deliver a law in the curtain of night, and our inability in the cur and to be an extended a to drive of the party of the second

go forth, section after section, conquering morously pointed out the pains of the and to conquor. And if the public forgive ary life, in an imaginary letter from

"SIR .- By your not caming out on the P. self, only every Sunday, instead of once a manif and as such, well knew what it was to write write: and read, read, read, and as our De says, it's as bad to study till all is broun as

willin me, says he, but if I die of overwers, one of that sort with long spindle legs, and on a dot of a body in the mind

"Anuther had thing is settin up all pite a what sum must, and partickly the writersof pol-Hicks for the papers; but they rain the censu tashun. And, besides, even poetry is ast to get prosy, after tweive or one; and some late as used to say, what made Jack a dull buy why. being always in the workhouse, and never at the playhouse. So, get out of your gowne and been at your poeticle flights, go and look at the Tems Tunnel; and if you're tired of being witty, go and spend an hour with the was work

and relax a little. You want brassing, a change

Thus could Hood play with a subject full of painful import, and inculeate severe

truths, in quaint and humorous guese. He made the eye dance with laughter. at the

The Lion's Leap.

Once as I was travelling in Nemaqua-Land, I observed a spot which was imprinted with at least twenty speed of the cident. I was passing near the end of a craggy hill, from ten to twelve feet high, when I perceived a number of zebras galloping round it, which they were obliged to do, as the rock was quite steep, a lion was creeping towards the rock to catch the male zebra which brought up the rear of the herd. The lion sprang and missed his mark; he fell short, with only his head over the edge of the rock, and the zebra galloped away, switching his tail in the sir. 4 though the object of his pursuit was gone, the lion tried the leap on the rock a second

tended as an anticipation of salary perhaps

There is a closer connection between

"One of the rarities of life," says Eliza Cook, "is a woman thoroughly satisfied with her daughter-in-law."

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